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H. A. HERBERT,
Manager,
Hongkong Branch.
Hongkong, July 4, 1885. 1128

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may, at their option, transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank, if marked, on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, May 7, 1885. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £67,500,000
RESERVE FUND, £4,500,000
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDENDS, £500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-
PRIETORS, £7,500,000

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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 24, 1885. 1449

NOTICE.

The Undersigned have been nominated by Special Appointment COMMERCIAL AGENTS for the FOREIGN BUSINESS of HIS EXCELLENCE the VICEROY of CHINAH.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, August 24, 1885.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. SIMON ABRAHAM NATHAN in our Firm in Hongkong and China, has ceased from this date.

E. D. SASOON & Co.,
Shanghai, 20th October, 1885. 1027

Intimations.

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FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.
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2, DUDDELL STREET.
(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)
Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 66

NOTICE.

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SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, upon their arrival in our Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Praya Central, will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Under-signed is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 26, 1885. 1453

NOTICE.

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1, DUDDELL STREET,
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At the same Moderate Charges.

Hongkong, June 9, 1885. 957

NOTICE.

FOR the Convenience of Customers, the

Productions of the CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, can henceforward be obtained by RETAIL, FOR CASH, at No. 3, FISH STREET, at the same prices as at the REFINERY; or Retail Orders will be delivered at addresses in town on application forwarding their Monthly Requirements in writing direct to the REFINERY at East Point.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, July 27, 1885. 1362

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, July 25, 1885.

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Return not sent in before the 20th NOVEMBER next, will be made up by the Company, and no subsequent claims or alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors,

JAS. B. COUGHTRE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, October 1, 1885. 1714

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THE CHINA MAIL.

[No. 6953.—November 9, 1885.]

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MACEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.

Hongkong, September 2, 1885. 1519.

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CENTENNIAL, American ship, Capt. J. M. BEAVERS—Order.

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ISAAC REED, American ship, Capt. E. C. Colley—Order.

KILLARNEY, British steamer, Captain H. O'Neill—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

NAITAMO, British barque, Captain John Dodd—Russell & Co.

TITAN, American ship, Capt. C. H. Allyn—Russell & Co.

VENTURA, Spanish barque, Capt. Ursandil Remedios & Co.

TORADO, British barque, Captain Robert Crosbie—Gillman & Co.

N O W P U B L I S H E D .

**B U D D H I S M : I T S H I S T O R I C A L ,
T H E O R E T I C A L A N D P O P U L A R
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BY ERNEST J. ETTEL, PH.D., TURIN.

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Hongkong, August 20, 1884. 1393

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To which is now added a Report of the Case of

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By E. H. PARKER

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Small Quire.

Intimations.

C h i n e s e I m p e r i a l G o v e r n m e n t E i g h t P e r C e n t . L o a n o f 1881.

FIFTH DRAWING.

N U M B E R S O F B O N D S D R A W N .

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that, in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following Numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Par, at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong, on the 7th day of November, 1885, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, will be drawn at the said Corporation in Hongkong, in the presence of Mr. HERBERT MAURICE BEVIL, Acting Chief Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

The INTEREST due 7th day of November current, of the above LOAN, together with the BONDS DRAWN for Redemption, will be Paid at the Office of this CORPORATION on and after that date.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

Agents Issuing the Loan,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, November 6, 1885.

1096 Bonds, Nos.:—

2 882 1767 2041 3526 4401 5285 6164 — 7046 7926

10 891 1775 2049 3535 4411 5294 6170 7053 7934

18 898 1780 2358 3542 4418 5303 6178 7061 7942

26 906 1799 2367 3550 4426 5310 6186 7070 7951

34 915 1799 2374 3558 4435 5318 6194 7079 7957

42 923 1805 2382 3564 4442 5324 6201 7086 7966

50 930 1815 2390 3574 4451 5335 6210 7095 7976

59 940 1822 2398 3583 4458 5343 6218 7100 7981

66 949 1831 2706 3601 4466 5349 6226 7109 7990

74 954 1838 2714 3596 4474 5358 6234 7120 8001

82 963 1847 2722 3603 4482 5363 6243 7125 8001

90 970 1854 2730 3614 4490 5373 6250 7136 8010

99 978 1862 2739 3623 4498 5382 6259 7143 8018

107 986 1869 2746 3631 4506 5389 6271 7151 8026

114 994 1870 2754 3639 4514 5395 6276 7157 8034

123 1004 1883 2764 3646 4522 5406 6282 7167 8042

131 1010 1894 2771 3652 4530 5413 6290 7174 8050

139 1018 1903 2778 3663 4539 5422 6298 7184 8058

146 1020 1910 2787 3671 4546 5431 6306 7190 8067

154 1035 1919 2794 3678 4555 5439 6314 7197 8074

162 1042 1926 2802 3687 4562 5446 6322 7200 8082

170 1050 1935 2810 3694 4570 5453 6330 7214 8090

178 1053 1942 2818 3702 4576 5463 6338 7223 8099

186 1065 1950 2826 3711 4587 5471 6346 7239 8114

194 1073 1958 2834 3719 4594 5477 6354 7249 8124

202 1081 1965 2842 3726 4598 5486 6362 7246 8122

210 1090 1973 2849 3732 4602 5496 6373 7255 8131

218 1098 1981 2850 3743 4601 5503 6379 7262 8138

226 1105 1990 2856 3751 4607 5511 6386 7270 8146

234 1114 1999 2874 3759 4636 5518 6395 7277 8154

242 1123 2006 2883 3767 4642 5527 6406 7286 8163

250 1130 2014 2890 3775 4650 5534 6414 7294 8170

258 1138 2023 2901 3782 4661 5543 6423 7302 8176

266 1145 2030 2906 3791 4666 5551 6430 7312 8184

274 1154 2038 2914 3797 4676 5559 6430 7318 8194

282 1162 2045 2922 3807 4682 5567 6445 7324 8203

290 1170 2053 2931 3815 4690 5576 6453 7332 8210

298 1178 2062 2938 3823 4698 5587 6462 7343 8218

307 1187 2070 2948 3831 4707 5590 6471 7350 8226

314 1194 2079 2956 3838 4715 5598 6479 7358 8235

322 1202 2085 2961 3847 4722 5603 6486 7366 8242

330 1211 2093 2969 3855 4730 5613 6493 7374 8250

338 1217 2097 2977 3863 4739 5619 6501 7382 8258

346 1226 2110 2986 3871 4748 5627 6511 7390 8266

354 1234 2118 2994 3870 4757 5634 6510 7397 8

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ing cargo. Many influences have tended to retard the development of an efficient system of handling cargo, while the rapid growth of the steamer traffic has enormously outgrown the lumbering cargo-boat arrangements. The ineradicable compradore system is in a great measure responsible for the maintenance of the cargo-boat monopoly with all its intolerable charges. However much the guilds may be at the bottom of the extortionate fares of this squeezing confederation, there can be little doubt that the compradores also receive substantial benefit from its continued existence and its unchecked progress. At all events, the licensing of such boats has given to these boat-people a monopoly which many compradores, coolie-contractors and others are deeply interested in maintaining and preserving for their exclusive benefit at the expense of the legitimate trade of the place. Many of the carrying-coolies on shore are mixed up in some way with this complicated system of squeezing, as many of the large compradores contract for the landing and discharge of cargo, and hire the cargo-boats and the shore coolies to carry out these contracts. It is curious, therefore, to note here that nearly every disturbance which has arisen in Hongkong during the last fifteen years has had reference to these sections of the community. Among these classes are the rioters usually found. It may not be practicable to extend the inquiry into the cargo-boat grievance beyond the specific objects mentioned in Mr. Ryrie's motion; but the investigation cannot fail to elicit information which, though perhaps in some degree irrelevant to the main points of the inquiry, may prove of the greatest possible value to a body like the Chamber of Commerce, of which Mr. Ryrie is vice-chairman.

TELEGRAMS.

(Via Southern Line.)

GREECE.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—The Chamber has voted a sum of £12,000,000 Drachmas to increase the Navy and a patriotic Loan of £30,000,000.

[The drachma is slightly less valuable than the franc, so that the two sums voted are equivalent to nearly £1,500,000 sterling.—Ed. 'C.M.']

THE MONETARY CONVENTION.

The Monetary Convention has been prolonged for five years, with a further prolongation of five years for liquidation.

The following telegram has been received in Tokyo and published by a native paper:

RUSSIAN ADVICE TO SERVIA.

LONDON, October 20th.

The Russian Government has advised Servia to extend its territory.

A RAILWAY BETWEEN QUETTA AND BELUCHISTAN.

A London 'despatch' dated the 19th ultimo, announces the commencement of the railway between Quetta and Beluchistan.—*Japan Mail Translation.*

SHANGHAI AUTUMN FAIR MEETING.

SECOND DAY.—Friday, Nov. 6.

Northern Cup Freckles
St. Leger Red Gauntlet
Hack Stakes Hard Times
Shanghai Stakes Wild Jack
Lianha Miao Peppa
Mongol Cup Bon Ans
Autumn Cup Nectar
Sykes Stakes Conqueror

THIRD DAY.—Saturday, Nov. 7.

Grand Stand Stake Gamblers
Flyaway Plate Heretics
Cosmopolitan Cup Wild Jack
Manchi Stakes Pathfinder
Chau Shang Kuk Cup Moon
Consolation Cup Council or
Champion Sweepstakes Grd. Nal Steeplechase Black Prince

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUM. CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND.—Cachemire, Sept. 23; France, Sept. 29; Bordeaux, Oct. 2; Amphyrite, October 9; Peru, October 13; Antor, Drakenstein, October 16; Bengal, Stamford, Oct. 20; Jamia Castle, Glengary, and Tian, Oct. 23; Glenco, Fium, Oct. 27; Iracunda, Oct. 31; Oxfordshire, Nov. 3; Homeward Bound.—Benzader, Sept. 16; Deshore, Oct. 9; Esse, Galley, Oct. 10; Stratford n. D. Ysses, Oct. 27; Uppark, Cawnpore, Andhra, Gengary, Oct. 30; Dicton, Nov. 6.

The next PARSONS MAIL, per the M. M. Co.'s steamer Melville, will leave Singapore for Saigon and this port on Saturday, the 7th instant, at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 15th inst.

The Union Line steamer Gulf of Pampas left Singapore for this port on the 1st inst., and may be expected here on or about the 7th inst.

The Suez Line steamer Dembhaburra, from Hamburg, Antwerp and London, left Singapore for this port on the 3rd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 10th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Asia, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 4th inst., and is due here on the 10th inst. The steamship Gleason, from London, left Singapore for this port on the 5th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 11th inst.

The E. & A. Steamship Co.'s steamer Ternate, left Sydney for this port on the 29th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 21st inst.

DOCK MOVEMENTS.

The Geopruit went to Cosmopolitan Dock yesterday.

The Arctic Flamingo left Cosmopolitan Dock on Saturday.

The Tsiang left Cosmopolitan Dock yesterday.

The Grouse left Kowloon Dock yesterday.

The U. S. S. Monocacy, which left here last Monday, is to winter at Tientsin.

The U. S. S. Trenton arrived at Woosung on the 2d instant.

2,525 Chinese and 242 Europeans visited the City Hall Museum during the week ending November the 8th.

Mrs. G. M. H. Playfair has been appointed H. B. M.'s Vice-Consul at Shanghai till further notice.

Mrs. Aston, late Consul-General in Korea, and Mrs. Aston are passengers per S. S. Hyades for Suez.

The report of the Government Astronomer (Dr Dobruck) for the month of August appears in Saturday's *Gazette*.

We have received from Messrs Kelly & Walsh the circular issued by the Shanghai Art Union, tickets for which may be obtained at that firm's store.

The subscriptions collected and published in the *Bulletin Ecclésiastico* at Manila on the cruiser *Klippan* up to the 1st inst. amounted to \$27,175.27.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Comercio de Cuba*, writing under date of the 20th ultimo, says that locusts have made their appearance at Sibonga, a province some nine leagues to the South of Cebu.

The O. & O. Co.'s new steamer *Belgique* cleared from Sydney for Newcastle on the 10th October. She is to proceed to San Francisco to take up her position on the Hongkong line.

The Agent informs us that the O. & O. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic*, with mail, &c., from San Francisco to the 17th Oct., has arrived at Yokohama and sailed for Hongkong yesterday.

A FORGED cheque for \$2,000 on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank was presented for payment at the branch office at Manila on the 4th instant. The bearer, an Indian, was handed over to the police.

The *De Spy*, from Nagasaki, went ashore near Farnham's Dock at Shanghai on Friday, the 30th ultimo. After discharging some of her cargo, she got off, and was berthed at the Ningpo wharf on the 2nd instant.

THE NEW PAROLES Post system is beginning to be appreciated. To-day 160 parcels, weighing 2 cwt., were posted to be in time for delivery at Christmas. As the public become better acquainted with the rules, the system will extend rapidly.

THE GOVERNMENT *Gazette* of Saturday last notices that H. E. the Governor has been pleased to recognise provisionally, and until further notice, Mr. Carlos de Ribera, as in charge of the Spanish Consulate at this Port.

A STATEMENT of receipts and disbursements for the colony of Hongkong for the third quarter of the current year is published in Saturday's *Gazette*. The total revenue for the quarter was \$334,528.93; the total expenditure \$372,933.70.

AN ORDER-IN-COUNCIL is published in Saturday's *Gazette* declaring the ports of Osaka, and Hiogo, Kobe to be infected places, E. B. M.'s Minister to Japan having informed the Government of the prevalence of cholera at these ports.

SATURDAY'S *Government Gazette* contains a copy of The Submarine Telegraph Act, 1885, as set to carry into effect an International Convention for the protection of submarine telegraph cables. The convention is also published. No date has yet been fixed for its being brought into force.

THIS latest advice from Tonquin state that operations against Thanh-mai were finished, but no information was to be obtained as to what has been achieved by the French force. General Courcy himself had returned to Hanoi and started away again to direct the operations of General Negrier's column near Haiduong.

To-DAY is the anniversary of the birth of R. H. the Prince of Wales, who has now completed his forty-fourth year. The Royal standard was, we believe, as usual hoisted at Government House, but no salutes were fired of ships of war dressed on the occasion. The day is also noticeable as Lord Mayor's Day in London.

THE GRAND SECRETARY Li purposed to establish banks at all the open ports, as foreigners have done; also to buy several steamers to take the products of China to foreign countries for sale. The funds for starting the enterprise are to be provided by the officials. The name proposed for this is the Ocean Trading (海通). He likewise proposes to make railways to facilitate traffic. During his visit to Peking he discussed these matters with the Taung-Yamen and the Ministry. —*Shen Pao's Peking Correspondent*, October 27.

At about 7 o'clock yesterday evening a Chinaman named Leung Achar, thirty-two years of age, committed suicide by jumping from the second floor of a tenement of No. 63 East Street, where he lived, to the street. The police were summoned by some of the neighbours and the man was taken to the Government Civil Hospital where it was at once discovered that his injuries were fatal, the skull being severely fractured, and death was almost instantaneous. An inquest was held upon the body of the deceased at the Mortuary this afternoon by the Coroner, Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, and a jury, when evidence was produced which showed that the deceased had been in an unsound state of mind for a week past, and a verdict of suicide while in an unsound state of mind was returned.

The return of the Collector of Stamp Revenue for the month of October is published in Saturday's *Gazette*. It shows that the revenue for the month amounted to \$11,098.23 as compared with \$12,305.32 in October, 1884, a decrease of \$1,206.40. The principal items of decrease were bills of exchange and promissory notes, amounting to \$1,010.10, and adhesive stamps \$994.35. There was a slight increase in the sums derived from bills of lading, conveyances and assignments, transfers of shares, and bank cheques.

A warning in the *Shen Pao* of the 22nd October, in the course of a rather rambling article on 'The Establishment of Lekin Station,' tells an amusing story of a successful fraud on those hapless, the lekin people. A certain dealer in cotton, who had been fleeced at a particular lekin station, determined to be revenged. He accordingly loaded two boats with 80 bales of cotton each. When the first came to the station, the master reported his cargo as 100 bales. The greedy runners, delighted at getting a squeeze, levied duty on 100 bales and gave a certificate to that effect. Towards evening the second boat arrived; and the dealer asked how many bales the first boat had paid on. The runners told him, on which he laughed at them for being duped, saying the first boat had a lot of valuables on board and, therefore, paid on too many bales. The lekin people started in pursuit and overhauled the first boat about midnight. They threw all the bales on shore, but naturally failed to find any valuables. When the boatmen came to reload the cargo, of course there were only 80 bales. So they accused the runners of stealing 20 bales, and by threats of appealing to the High Authorities on the strength of the receipt for duty on 100 bales, forced the runners to make good the supposititious loss. It is quite refreshing to find that the runners do not have it all their own way.

THE *Shen Pao* of the 23rd October proposes, in a leading article on the 'Different Position of women in China and in Western Countries,' to establish girls' schools where the general principles set forth in the classics and histories may be explained to girls by aged teachers. The writer wisely objects to any attempt to make the girls learn the books by heart as boys do. They are to stay at school till 15 or 16 years of age, and then learn embroidery, etc. The writer protests against the present system of teaching girls nothing but cooking and spinning in poorer families, and merely embroidery in richer houses. For the rest they are left to do any mischief suggested by idleness. They are indulged in every whim, and never hear of the duty of woman, the virtue of wife. Their utter ignorance of great principles leads them to commit suicide on slight provocation. It is want of education that causes the idolatrous processions, the visits to temples, the quarrels between man and wife, between mother and daughter-in-law. In fact, China professes to treat women with respect and does not really do so; western nations seem to be careless about their women, but in reality show them proper respect. But it is only because they are educated, that the freedom granted to European women does not prove a grave blow to morals.

On Saturday last information was received by Police Inspector Lindsay, in charge of the West Point Station, that a gang of thieves who were gathered together in a house in Upper Station Street had planned for that evening an armed attack upon a pawn shop, the Chun Shing shop, No. 141 Bechaan Strand. About twelve men were to be concerned in the affair. Steps were to be taken by the Inspector to nip the scheme in the bud, to accost the pawns outside, to ascertain who was to be concerned in the affair. Steps were at once taken by the Inspector to nip the scheme in the bud. A party of police were sent during the afternoon to the pawn shop, to accost themselves there, while the Inspector, with another party, proceeded at 6.30 p.m. to the house in which the robbers were said to be congregated, No. 23 Upper Station Street. Upon entering the house, armed with a warrant, the police found in a back room six men, with two loaded revolvers, six swords, one fighting iron and one truncheon in their possession. Several others of the party, who were acting as watchmen outside the house, succeeded in escaping. The six men, whose names were Wong Asam, Chui Aluk, Chui Akwong, Lo Aysu, Kwong Achung and Li Afuu, were arrested and charged this morning before Mr. Mackean with being in a robbery committed a week ago.

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It is stated that a telegram has been received in Tokyo from London, announcing that arrangements have been made by a wealthy merchant there for sending six steamers to Yokohama, to be run on the coast of Japan.—*Japan Mail* Translation.

Mr. Wood, assistant tide surveyor at Sydney, made a seizure of about 5000 cigars on board the China Navigation Company's steamer *Taiwan*, then lying at the company's jetty, Smith's Wharf, on her last trip. No owner came forward, so the goods were confiscated and removed to the Custom House.

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